

WORLD BAREFOOT COUNCIL

Draft -MEETING MINUTES



Zoom Meeting of the WBC

On 20/21 July 2024

6:00 AM AEST, 3:00 PM CDT, 9:00 BST

Items and Actions

1. ATTENDEES

Geoff Blaauw (GB)
John Cornish (JC)
Richard Gray (REG)
Ludo Vrancx (LV)
Betsy Anderson Gilman
Rob Groen (RG)
Claire Mowday (CM)
Mark Shank (MS)
Andy Harris (AH)
Svenja Hempelmann (SH)
Brian Price (BP)

APOLOGIES

Mike Molepske
Geoff Davis
Lyn Blaauw

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Moved Rob
Seconded Claire
All in favour

3. 2024 IWWF Open Junior Under 23 Worlds Review/Update (John Cornish)

Written report submitted
New contact person at Margaritaville venue. This will now be the fourth contact.
50 Cabanas rented and confirmed
Slow progress but expected to pick up in the next month
Familiarisation to be confirmed in the coming days

Schedule Update (Geoff Blaauw)

Council approved proposal for all divisions to have 3 rounds (first round, second round, final) except for junior girls, who will have 2 rounds due to low numbers in jump, tricks and slalom, along with Under 23 Women's Jump. All council members supported the change.

Mark Shank will remove rule 1904A referring to two rounds

The Second lake (Lake Grew) will be used for jump event

Officials' clinic on Saturday 5th October 2024 from 9am – 1pm.

WBC Council meetings Friday 4th of October ~ 10am to 4 pm and wrap-up meeting on the Sunday the 13th of October ~ 10am – 12pm.

WBC Rules committee meeting ~ Saturday 1pm – 2pm

Opening ceremony on Saturday 5th October 2024

Closing ceremony on the Saturday 12th October

Limited need for cars if staying on site, 10 golf carts have been hired.

One boat to be run in the jump event on Lake Grew with a reserve boat prepared and ready if needed

The schedule of events will be provided in the coming weeks.

4. Junior Development (Betsy Anderson Gilman)

Federation received \$1000 from IWFF for junior clinic fuel costs

Federation to contact Betsy for further detail

5. History Report

Nothing to report at this moment

6. Records for the 2024

2050 Trick Record for Katina Davis

Record under review for Doug Jordan for Jump.

7. Officials Committee Update

Mike an apology

8. Masters Update (Ludo Vrancx)

IWWF 2025 Masters World Barefoot Championship is to be held in Chartres, France

Current dates are 31st August 2025 – 6th September 2025

City requested to move event one week later – under consideration

Site preparations underway

No qualifying scores required

LAO signed

9. Rules Committee Update (Mark Shank)

Very few rule changes for upcoming rulebook

New rules will be available before August 30th, 2024

Committee meeting to be held after Judge's clinic on the Saturday at Worlds

Topics for discussion – line turn description, tightening up start descriptions, wave tricks, tricks of higher values

10. Athletes Representative Update (William Leigh)

Feedback on proposed rule changes generally positive

Draft transgender policy released for review

11. Awards Committee Update (Claire Mowday)

Remind to make OSA nominations ASAP

One Nomination received for Outstanding Service Award

Deadline for OSA extended to 15th August 2024 for nominations

Nominations needed

- a. International Hall of Fame (IHOF)
- b. Athlete of the year (AOTY)
- c. Outstanding Service Awards (OSA)

12. Federation Development (Gustavo Serrano)

Report from China – skiers coming out of show ski lost a lot of funding and not available

Nothing out of South Africa

Could do with better participation in Europe

10 Federations attending Championships with potential of 11 if Finland confirms

13. System and Technology Updates (Robbie)

Nothing to add only that everyone has adopted the video tape measure software program

After Katina Davis record, we need to confront the issue of record-capable tournaments and the video quality coming out of these tournaments

Skiers are being punished by poor quality of video and videography

Recommended all videographers look at video by Ashley Stebbeings from three years ago

14. Website Enhancements (Richard Gray)

Request to update world rankings on website

Links need updating to current rankings list

15. Confederation Updates

- a. Europe – no updates. Report provided
- b. Oceania – no updates. Report provided
- c. Pan AM – no updates. Report provided
- d. Brief updates provided by confederation chairs – no questions

16. General Business

Update rankings for 2023/2024 on World Barefoot council website under world records tab. RG will review

17. Meeting Adjourned

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